

pleasure of wearing a hat, and to comfort them, he said, "I hardly think that you will be asked to practice this self-denial many more years, but be patient, dear members. It is true I became just a little impatient waiting so long for my bicycle, but it came at last, and now it seems all the sweeter."

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Chicago Mission

Brother Bowman arrived in our city last Monday, and began meetings in the evening. Bad weather, rain, snow and mud, hindered some, but the interest is growing, as is also the attendance, and we look for results. Pray for us.

Sunday school last Sunday, had in attendance fifty-three, notwithstanding the very bad weather. In the afternoon we had twenty Juniors in attendance. Our Sunday school enrollment is about eighty now, and the enrollment of the Juniors shows thirty five names.

We ask the earnest prayers in behalf of the special effort being made here to save souls. Brother Bowman has already given us some very profitable sermons. We will still need pecuniary help. We feel to thank our Milledgeville Brethren for their liberal collection recently.

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Indiana State Missions

First. I have written a letter to each pastor in the state, or have seen them personally. I find they represent about 35 congregations. Thus about eleven congregations are without pastors. Will not the superintendent of the Sunday school take charge of the work and see that an Easter offering comes from your church if you have no pastor to present the matter? Let us make up in earnest work what we lost in time the first part of the year.

Second. To raise \$1000 we must work together and each church do her part. As pastors and churches in a great measure we know our respective strength and can thus readily figure out what we should give.

Third. *The Roann Church.* Here is a church that believes in developing the home field, \$41 having been subscribed to the State fund by individuals and the S. S. C. E. have promised me \$5 more. So I am willing as pastor to pledge this church for at least \$50, and I am confident it will be more ere the year closes; and according to our statistical report for last year we stood second for EVANGELISTS taken by Indiana churches. But this is a slight divergence from my topic of State missions.

Fourth. *An Echo from State Conference.* At our State conference at Roann last October the people were lodged free, but paid ten cents a meal at the boarding hall. It was announced that any surplus was to go to the State mission fund. A few days ago Brother Bowman handed me a check for

\$47 08 to add to the mission fund as the profit from the dining hall.

Fifth. *Easter Sunday.* Let all members and churches remember this day by an offering to the State fund. Let each one do his part so that when we meet in conference at Nappanee next fall we can say we have accomplished that which we purposed. Let me hear from you as pastors and churches.

WM. H. MILLER, Sec.

North Manchester, Ind.

Among the Churches

Nappanee, Ind.

The meetings closed here last Sunday with 60 confessions. Forty-two have been baptized, five by relation, one reclaimed. Five will unite with other churches, six to be baptized. The Lord blessed us with good weather, a working church and good preaching. Brother Bowman has gone to Chicago. May God continue to bless his work.

Milford is enjoying a constant revival. During the meeting here a Milford brother said, "We want you to come up and preach one night for us. We have one to baptize." I did so and after an earnest appeal to sinners I gave the invitation for them to accept Christ. To my surprise nine came out, and one excellent young man could not be there, so he wrote a letter. The next day at the baptismal services one more came, eleven in all. I am quite sure this is the result of seed sowing by Brother Rench.

Union Salem church lost her house by fire. Every thing in it burned. No insurance. At this writing I do not know what they will do. I think I shall advise them to place their membership at Nappanee as the most distant member is only five miles from here.

Within three weeks we have seen 71 conversions and one fire. These are exciting times. Literal fire destroying property, the Holy Ghost firing the souls of men, hell fire preached as of old.

I think the good work of saving souls will continue here. A young man came last night and said, "I have my father ready, when can you baptize him?"

B. H. FLORA.

The Nappanee Indiana Meeting

Our meeting at Nappanee closed last night with a full house and two confessions. Brother Flora began the meeting Feb. 10, and I re-enforced him Feb. 19, and closed Sunday night, March 18.

Brother Flora had the meeting in a splendid condition to reap a harvest when I began. One had already publicly confessed. But the change of preachers caused me to preach a week before there was another break, then they began to come to the Lord. By the end of this second week twenty-five made the confession. We continued almost two weeks more until sixty came out. Over forty have already been baptized. Six have been received by relation. Four of this number from the German Baptists, one a good deacon, one had been baptized by trine immersion in the Evangelical church and one reclaimed. Several will be baptized on Wednesday night of this week. Several may join other churches and several will not be baptized at all. So after carefully considering the confessions we are sure of at least 52 good members added to our church. A number of others are very near, some say that they will come soon, hence we feel almost sure that there will be enough additional conversions to make up for the shrinkage. If so this will double their membership. We baptized two leading doctors of the town, a druggist, and many good citizens. By earnest work many more will be added to the Lord in the near future. This church seems to be a daughter of Milford, which is only ten miles away, and it begins to look as if the

daughter will soon be as strong as the mother, tho the mother is still rapidly growing. I will not say more of Milford as Brother Flora will give you some good news from there.

We will begin work here in Chicago tonight, March 18. Pray for our meeting here. I felt very much like taking the train for Philadelphia instead of Chicago, but the Lord's will be done.

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Conemaugh, Pa.

We entered upon our revival effort here in Conemaugh on Jan. 6, 1901, and continued a little over a week without any accessions and had to close on account of so much sickness and the serious illness of my wife. After the general health of our town was as good as usual again we opened fire on the enemy once more on Feb. 17, 1901, and continued nearly four weeks with good interest and good attendance and closed with sixteen accessions to the church. Fifteen of these were added the first two weeks and there seemed to be a goodly number whom we thought would surrender to the Lord, but for some reason we were not able to win all of them to the Lord. Quite a number seemed to be deeply interested when the meeting closed which we hope yet to enlist at least some of them for the Lord in the near future.

A man told me today that he and his wife and his brother and his wife were about decided to unite with the church.

The first week of the meeting I preached six sermons on the saloon with splendid interest and attendance. One young man who attended these meetings and who had been spending his money for drink, has resolved to put his money in the bank instead of giving it to the saloon keeper to dress his family in silk and drive fine horses and he go in rags.

We gained another victory over the saloon business recently. Only one man applied for license and when he heard of the strength of our remonstrance he got scared and before we had time to file our remonstrance he withdrew his application, saying he did not want such a strong remonstrance as we had to appear in court against him. We have them on the retreat, their cause is weakening. James says, "resist the devil and he will flee from you."

To show the readers of the EVANGELIST the strength of our case against the saloon I will give a little summary of our remonstrance. We have two boroughs with the Conemaugh river between them. From these two boroughs we had 759 signers on the remonstrance. In Conemaugh alone we had 541 of these there were 230 men and 311 women. In Conemaugh 328 families were represented and 112 property owners. Of these 230 men, 111 were employees of the Penn. R. R. Co., and 29 of them were enginemen and the applicant himself was an engineman. Conemaugh, Pa., goes another year without a licensed house. Praise the Lord.

J. F. KOONTZ.

Lanark, Ill.

We have had a series of meetings in the Lanark church during the past winter and I failed to see any notice in our paper. There came to pass other events that might be recorded with profit, if one will look in that direction.

Brother Welty, our pastor, began the meeting Jan. 6 and continued for three weeks, with many hindrances, some inside and others outside. The pastor did all in his power, in the pulpit and out of it, to revive lukewarm church members and convict the unsaved; but not many were moved. As the immediate result of the meeting one made the good confession and was baptized at the close of the meeting. If one soul is worth more than all the world, then this meeting paid. We believe it did. The new convert is the writer's nephew and has been the burden of our prayers for years.

While I was away preaching at Milford, Ind., Brother Welty was the welcome victim of a sur-